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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 82RK102	FOR FURTHER ACTION see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
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This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

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☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. ☐ With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box II).

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (see Box III).

4. With regard to the title,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the abstract,

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☒ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the drawings,

- a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 2

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- b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

Box No. IV Text of the abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

A writing instrument with inflatable bladders (16) built into the barrel of the writing instrument to facilitate better and more comfortable gripping of the writing instrument by a user. The built in bladders are inflated by pumping air into them. The writing instrument further includes a release mechanism (20) for releasing excess air in the bladders.

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 B43K23/008

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 B43K

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

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